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Title Polyhydroxyalkanoate Biopolymer Compositions

Express Mail Label No. EL 717 748 012 US (Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b)) Assistant Commissioner for Patents APPLICATION ELEMENTS ADDRESS TO: **Box Patent Application** See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents Washington, DC 20231 Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17) CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or 1 Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing) Computer Program (Appendix) Applicant claims small entity status. 8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission 2. See 37 CFR 1.27. (if applicable, all necessary) Specification [Total Pages Computer Readable Form (CRF) referred arrangement set forth below) - Descriptive title of the invention b. Specification Sequence Listing on: - Cross Reference to Related Applications CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D - Reference to sequence listing, a table, ii. 🗸 paper or a computer program listing appendix c. Statements verifying identity of above copies Background of the Invention - Brief Summary of the Invention ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed) - Detailed Description 9. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s)) - Claim(s) 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement Power of - Abstract of the Disclosure Attorney (when there is an assignee) English Translation Document (if applicable) 4. Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets Copies of IDS Information Disclosure 12. 5 Oath or Declaration [Total Pages Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations Preliminary Amendment Newly executed (original or copy) Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d)) Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) 14. 🗸 b. (for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed) (Should be specifically itemized) Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed) DELETION OF INVENTOR(S) Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 named in the prior application, see 37 CFR (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b). or its equivalent. Other: Items 9 and 10 are copies from 6. V Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76 17. Serial No: 09/488;348 18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76: 09, 488,348 Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.; S. Coe 1651 Prior application information. Examiner: Group Art Unit: _ For CONTINUATION OR DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, Is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS Customer Number or Bar Code, Label Correspondence address below Patrea L. Pabst Holland & Knight Name 2000 One Atlantic Center 1201 West Peachtree Street Address Atlanta State Zip Code 30309-3400 City GA 404-817-8473 404-817-8588 Country **United States** Telephone Fax Rivka D. Monheit, Esq. 48,731 Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) Name (Print/Type) June 20, 2003 Signature Date

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REQUEST FOR FILING A CONTINUATION APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)

Sir:

Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 21(a), as amended by Public Law 97-247, and 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.10 and 1.53(b), applicants enclose for filing the attached new patent application entitled "Polyhydroxyalkanoate Biopolymer Compositions". This application is a continuation of pending prior application Serial No. 09/488,348 filed January 20, 2000, entitled "Polyhydroxyalkanoate Biopolymer Compositions", by Frank A. Skraly and Oliver P. Peoples, which is a divisional of Serial No. 09/316,565 filed May 21, 1999, which claims priority to Serial No. 60/086,396 filed May 22, 1998. The application includes 1 page of abstract, 11 pages of specification, 2 pages of claims, 2 pages of sequence listing, 2 sheets of formal drawings, and



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a copy of the executed Declaration for Patent Application from prior application Serial

No. 09/488,348.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d), the copy of the executed Declaration for Patent

Application included in the new application is a copy of the executed Declaration filed in parent

application Serial No. 09/488,348, to which the new application claims benefit.

The inventorship for the claims in the new application is the same as in parent application

Serial No. 09/488,348.

This application contains nucleic acid and/or protein sequences as defined in 37 C.F.R.

§ 1.821-1.825. The sequence listing for the new application is identical to the sequence listing

for Serial No. 09/316,565 filed May 21, 1999 by Frank A. Skraly and Oliver P. Peoples.

Sequence listings in computer readable form were submitted in application

Serial No. 09/316,575 on May 21, 1999. No subsequent sequence listing was submitted.

Accordingly, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(e), applicants hereby request that the computer

readable form of the sequence listing submitted in application Serial No. 09/316,565 on May 21,

1999, be used as the computer readable form of the sequence listing for the new application.

The application has a paper copy of the Sequence Listing incorporated therein.

I declare that the material in the prior sequence listing is identical to the paper copy of the

Sequence Listing present in the new application, that the Sequence Listing does not add new

matter to the application, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to

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be true and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false

statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Enclosed from prior application Serial No. 09/488,348 are copies of the (a) Power of

Attorney by Assignee of Entire Interest and Revocation of Prior Powers; (b) Statement Under

37 CFR §3.73(b); and (c) Recorded Assignment of rights from Frank A. Skraly and

Oliver P. Peoples to Metabolix, Inc.

Also enclosed are an (a) Application Data Sheet; (b) Utility Patent Application

Transmittal; (c) Information Disclosure Statement; and (d) Fee Transmittal (in duplicate).

This application is entitled to claim small entity status pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$375.00 in payment of the filing fee. It is believed

that this is the proper filing fee since the application includes 3 independent claims and a total of

12 claims upon entry of the enclosed Preliminary Amendment.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be

required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1868. To facilitate this process,

applicants enclose a duplicate of this transmittal.

The power of attorney in the prior application is to Patrea L. Pabst.

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Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.10

I hereby certify that this paper and any documents referred to as attached or enclosed are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this date, June 20, 2003, in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10, Express Mail Label No. EL 717 748 012 US, addressed to MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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